

In the Claims

Please amend claims 1, 2 and 4 as follows:

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1. (currently amended) A roof venting and cover assembly for relieving pressure on a roof soffit, comprising, ~~in combination:~~

a housing dimensioned for being positioned between an opening in a roof and an opening in a soffit disposed below the roof, wherein the housing including includes a narrow upper duct portion and a wide lower scoop portion, and wherein the narrow upper duct portion having has an open upper end disposed within ~~the~~ an opening in ~~the~~ a roof, and the wide lower scoop portion having has an open lower end disposed within ~~the~~ an opening in ~~the~~ a soffit;

a ventilation grate secured over the open lower end of the wide lower scoop portion of the housing; and

a cover member secured over the open upper end of the narrow upper duct portion of the housing, wherein the cover member including includes an openable lid and a peripheral frame disposed around the open upper end of the narrow upper duct portion, and wherein the peripheral frame including includes a raised peripheral lip extending upwardly from an inner edge thereof, ~~the cover member including an~~ and wherein the openable lid hingedly coupled couples with the raised peripheral lip.

2. (currently amended) A roof venting and cover assembly for relieving pressure on a roof soffit, comprising, in combination:

a housing dimensioned for being positioned between an opening in a roof and an opening in a soffit disposed below the roof, wherein the housing including includes a narrow upper duct portion and a wide lower scoop portion, and wherein the narrow upper duct portion having has an open upper end disposed within the an opening in the a roof, and the wide lower scoop portion having has an open lower end disposed within the an opening in the a soffit; and

a cover member openably secured over the open upper end of the narrow upper duct portion of the housing, wherein the cover member includes an openable lid.

3. (original) The roof venting and cover assembly as set forth in claim 2, and further including a ventilation grate secured over the open lower end of the wide lower scoop portion of the housing.

4. (currently amended) The roof venting and cover assembly as set forth in claim 2, wherein the cover member includes a peripheral frame disposed around the open upper end of the narrow upper duct portion, and wherein the peripheral frame including includes a raised peripheral lip extending upwardly from an inner edge thereof, the cover

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member including an an and wherein the openable lid hingedly coupled couples with the raised peripheral lip.

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